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METHODS TO IDENTIFY MUTANT CELLS WITH ALTERED SIALIC ACID

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed April 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Please enter the enclosed SEQUENCE LISTING into the specification.

Remarks

This Preliminary Amendment and the above-referenced SEQUENCE LISTING are filed to conform the above-referenced application to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 - 1.825. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), a copy of the above-submitted SEQUENCE LISTING in ASCII computer readable form is being submitted on even date herewith to Box Sequence, P.O. Box 2327, Arlington, VA 22202. The contents of the paper version of the SEQUENCE LISTING and the computer readable form being submitted to Box Sequence are the same and do not include new matter.

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